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TAGS: JMBT OVIP (MANLEY, MICHAEL)

SUBJECT: PRIME MINISTER TO VISIT NEW YORK AND
WASHINGTON

1. MEA PERMSEC GORDON WELLS INFORMED ME THIS MORNING
THAT PRIME MINISTER AND MRS. MANLEY ARE PLANNING TO
VISIT NEW YORK AUGUST 5-18 TO ATTEND A SERIES OF
PLAYS AND CONCERT. THEY WILL BE STAYING AT THE PLAZA HOTEL.

2. THE P M WILL RETURN TO NEW YORK SEPTEMBER 1 OR 2
TO ATTEND THE UNGA SPECIAL SESSION, WHICH HE IS SCHEDULED
TO ADDRESS SEPTEMBER 3. HE WILL BE IN WASHINGTON ON
SEPTEMBER 4 TO LAUNCH THE AMERICAN EDITION OF HIS BOOK
"POLITICS OF CHANGE" AT HOWARD UNIVERSITY. WELLS SAID
THERE IS ALSO POSSIBILITY THAT HE WILL ADDRESS THE
WASHINGTON PRESS CLUB AT THAT TIME. MANLEY WILL RETURN
TO JAMAICA ON THE 5TH

3. COMMENT WITHOUT SPECIFICALLY ASKING, WELLS STRONGLY
IMPLIED THAT MANLEY WOULD WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO MEET
WITH SENIOR USG OFFICIALS DURING WASHINGTON VISIT. GIVEN
OUR PROCRASTINATION ON MANLEY'S REQUEST EARLIER
THIS YEAR TO MEET WITH THE PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY, I
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INTERPRET WELLS REMARKS AS BEING A REITERATION OF THE

REQUEST BUT IN A FORM WHICH AVOIDS THE EMBARRASSMENT
OF A DIRECT REBUFF

4. AS ONE OF THE LEADING EXPONENTS OF THE NEW WORLD
ECONOMIC ORDER AND RAPPORTEUR OF RECENT COMMONWEALTH
INITIATIVES ON THE SUBJECT, I FIRMLY BELIEVE IT IS VERY
MUCH IN OUR INTEREST TO ARRANGE OFFICE MEETINGS WITH
PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY FOR MANLEY. AS TO TIMING, I
BELIEVE IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE TO ARRANGE MEETINGS
DURING AUGUST VISIT AS THERE IS GREATER SCHEDULING
FLEXIBILITY AND IT IS BEFORE P M ADDRESSES UNGA SPECIAL
SESSION. I WOULD APPRECIATE A REACTION TO THIS PROPOSAL
ASAP. GERARD

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